

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully solicited.

Claims 1, 3, 4, and 6 through 10 are pending, with Claims 1 and 10 being independent. Claims 2, 5, and 11 through 14 have been cancelled without prejudice. Claims 1, 3, 4, 8, and 10 have been amended. The specification has been amended to attend to typographical matters.

Claims 8 and 12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, 2nd paragraph, as being indefinite. All rejections are respectfully traversed, and are submitted to have been obviated by the amendment of the claims in a manner earnestly believed to avoid the grounds of rejection, namely, Claim 8 has been amended to change “moving” to --still-- in one instance.

Claims 1 through 14 were variously rejected under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102(e) and 103 over U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2002/0024602 A1 (Juen, et al.), Official Notice, and U.S. Patent No. 5,737,014 (Tojo, et al.). All rejections are respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 recites, *inter alia*, that the converting means, first memory, memory interface, and still image processing means are provided on a single integrated circuit, and the image pickup means and second memory are built as a circuit *different* from the single integrated circuit (with use of a predetermined recording format as claimed).

Claim 10 recites, *inter alia*, that the input unit, conversion circuit, first memory, memory interface, and still image processing circuit are provided on a single integrated circuit, and the second memory is built as a circuit *different* from the single integrated circuit (with use of a predetermined recording format as claimed).

However, Applicant respectfully submits that none of Juen, Tojo, et al., and Official Notice, even in the proposed combinations, assuming, *arguendo*, that such could be combined, discloses or suggests at least the above-discussed claimed features as recited, *inter alia*, in Claims 1 and 10. The Official Action acknowledges that Juen is silent as to such features and therefore relies upon Official Notice. However, all taking of Official Notice in the Official Action is respectfully traversed in the absence of a cited reference. MPEP 2144.03. The Official Action also relies upon memory 7 of Tojo, et al. However, Applicant respectfully submits that neither the foregoing nor the remainder of Tojo, et al. provides either a description or a suggestion of at least the above-discussed claimed features. Also Applicant respectfully submits that Tojo, et al. does not disclose both still and moving as claimed, as a result of which the artisan would not turn to Tojo, et al. to attempt to modify Juen.

It is further respectfully submitted that there has been no showing of any indication of motivation in the cited documents that would lead one having ordinary skill in the art to arrive at the above-discussed claimed features.

The dependent claims are also submitted to be patentable because they set forth additional aspects of the present invention and are dependent from independent claims discussed above. Therefore, separate and individual consideration of each dependent claim is respectfully requested.

Applicant submits that this application is in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

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